

# Food System Coalition



## What is the Food System Coalition (FSC)?

A grassroots coalition of diverse local stakeholders who are working to improve our local food system for our larger community. The FSC is NOT an extension of any existing organization or agency, but rather a cooperative space where people representing different sectors of the food system can come together to collaborate.

## What is the FSC Mission?

To improve accessibility, justice, and sustainability of our local food system.

## How do we achieve our mission?

1. By offering support (i.e. information, advice, resources, and social networking opportunities) and facilitating collaboration amongst diverse stakeholders engaged in projects, programs, and policy initiatives that aim to improve our local food system
2. By identifying policies and procedures that impede improvement of our local food system and proposing solutions.
3. By developing and/or participating in topic area projects that improve healthy food access in high-need communities of Alachua County and support economic models that benefit our local producers.

## What topics does the FSC focus on?

Economic Development  
Policy  
Food Accessibility

## Who Participates?

Anyone who is interested! Local government staff, non-profits, small food-based business owners, local farmers, community gardeners, faculty, students, healthcare professionals, and more already involved.

For more information or to get involved, contact Karissa Raskin (City of Gainesville's Civic Collaboration Specialist) at [Raskink1@cityofgainesville.org](mailto:Raskink1@cityofgainesville.org) or 352-393-8557.